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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Support Assistant/DDS

SUBJECT : CSI on Automobile Air Conditioners

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph 5.

2. The NE Division has felt the necessity of expanding on [] to provide Chiefs of Stations and Bases with guidance on automobile air conditioner justifications. At the moment, some officers think that automobile air conditioners are prestige items for those with representational responsibility; others think that automotive technology has improved to the point where air conditioners are rapidly becoming standard equipment. Between these two sits the operations officer who spends a great deal of time in his automobile and believes that he would be more efficient and alert in a comfortable atmosphere.

3. Facts:

b) No criteria for automobile air conditioners appear in Agency regulations.

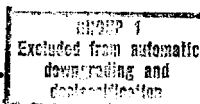
c) There are several posts in the NE area where the weather can be extremely hot and debilitating. In addition to those in paragraph a above there are []

4. Conclusions:

a) Officer efficiency and health can be enhanced by the use of automobile air conditioners at certain tropical posts.

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b) Chiefs of Stations and Bases need guidance on criteria - thus the attached NE Instruction.

5. Recommendation:

As other area divisions have posts in tropical, debilitating climates it is recommended that the SSA/DDS prepare a CSI so that the criteria for automobile air conditioners will be standard world-wide. Such a CSI would rescind and replace NE Instruction

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Attachment:
NE Instruction

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